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Naples, April 28, N. S.

ON the 22d Inſtant a Convention was ſettled and ſigned by Field-Marſhal Count Daun Viceroy of this Kingdom, Admiral Byng, Count Fontana and the Marqueſs de Breille, in Execution of the Treaty of the Quadruple Alliance. The chief Articles of which Convention are, That the King of Sardinia's Troops ſhall evacuate the Places they poſſeſs in Sicily, putting them into the Hands of the Imperialiſts, as ſoon as poſſible: That the King of Sardinia ſhall join the Body of 5000 Men of his Troops now in Sicily, to thoſe of the Emperour, for the Reduction of Sardinia, which Troops are to act in Sicily in Concert with the Imperialiſts till the Imbarkation for Sardinia can conveniently be undertaken: That a Viceroy appointed by the King of Sardinia, ſhall imbark with the Forces to be employed in that Enterprize, and ſhall take Poſſeſſion of the Kingdom of Sardinia on the firſt Landing, and put Garriſons into the Places as they ſhall be reduced. Upon the Signing of this Convention, the Marqueſs de Breille delivered to Count Daun, an Order under the Hand of the King of Sicily, to Count Maffei his Viceroy, for evacuating Sicily, and yielding up the Viceroyſhip Government and Places of that Iſland. On the 24th arrived here Count Mercy, who is to command in chief the Imperial Army in Sicily; and Admiral Byng has ſince had ſeveral Conferences with that General and Count Daun about the Operations of the enſuing Campaign: 11000 Foot and 2500 Horſe will ſpeedily be imbarked for Sicily, where there are already 3000 effective Men in Melazzo; and a large Train of Artillery, with ſufficient Stores of Ammunition, will be tranſported with theſe Forces.

Copenhagen, May 9. Rear-Admiral Paulſen, with Four Men of War, is ſailed into the Baltick. Four more Men of War lie ready to put to Sea on the firſt Order; and all Diligence is uſed to fit out four others. To Day the King with all the Court went to Fredericksbourg; and in a few Days his Majeſty will ſet out for Holſtein.

Berne, May 10. The Deputies which this Canton ſent lately to Araw to confer with thoſe of Zurich about ſtating the Accounts of the laſt Swiſs War, and adjuſting the Differences newly ariſen between the Abbot of St. Gall and his Subjects of Tockenbourg, are returned hither without Succeſs, and made their Report to the Sovereign Council of Two Hundred on the 5th Inſtant. It appears, that thoſe of Zurich were not inſtructed to enter into a general Balance, but only to adjuſt certain Articles; whereas thoſe of this State were tied up by their Orders not to meddle with any particular Articles, unleſs thoſe of that Canton would conſent to go through the whole. The Buſineſs of Tockenbourg was referred to another Occaſion. Four Deputies arrived here ſome Days ago from the City of Bienne, to complain to this State of their Prince the Biſhop of Porentru, upon ſeveral Proceedings which are contrary to their Liberty and Privileges: A Commiſſion has been appointed to hear their Grievances, and to make Report to the Sovereign Council. Two Gentlemen of this Place having quarrelled lately, went out of Town to fight, but two Citizens happening to paſs by the Place where they were ingaged, ſeparated and conducted them to their Houſes. The Little Council being acquainted with this Accident, ſent them to Priſon the next Morning, where he who gave the Challenge is to remain a whole Year, and the other who accepted it, ſix Months, and both are declared incapable of wearing Swords for three Years after their Diſcharge.

Paris, May 16. By Letters from Madrid of the 1ſt Inſtant we have an Account, that the King of Spain, the Queen, and the Prince of Aſturias ſet out from Madrid the 26th of April; they lay but one Night at Aranjuez, and proceeded with all Expedition towards Valencia, where they are to ſtay but three Days, and then to go on to Barcelona. Cardinal Alberoni did not leave Madrid till the 27th. He ordered the Duke de Popoli, in the King's Name, to remain at Madrid with the Infantes, inſtead of following the Prince of Aſturias, as his Governour, as that Duke intended. Ten of the Tranſports which ſailed from Cadiz were ſtill miſſing, the reſt continued in the ſeveral Ports into which they were driven after the Diſperſion of the Fleet. Theſe Letters add, that there was no Likelyhood of the Cardinal's renewing his Enterprize on the Britiſh Dominions, conſidering the ſmall Number of Infantry there is in Spain, and the great Need there is of collecting a conſiderable Force to oppoſe the further Progreſs of the French. The Marſhal Berwick was to ſet out on the 11th Inſtant from Bourdeaux for the Army, where the Prince of Conty was to arrive the 13th, and whither almoſt all the young Gentlemen of the beſt Families are gone from hence to ſerve as Voluntiers.

Whitehall, May 9. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint

Scroop Earl of Bridgewater,
Edward Earl of Warwick,
Peregrine Marqueſs of Lindſey, and
Robert Earl of Holderneſs, to be Gentlemen of His Majeſty's Bed Chamber.

Thomas Earl of Weſtmorland to be one of the Commiſſioners for Trade and Plantations, in the Room of the Earl of Holderneſs; and,

Bennet Earl of Harborough, to be Warden and Chief Juſtice in Eyre of all His Majeſty's Forreſts, Parks, Chaces and Warrens beyond Trent, in the Room of the Earl of Weſtmorland.

Whitehall, May 11.

This Morning about Nine a Clock His Majeſty left St. James's, paſſed in his Barge from Whitehall to Lambeth, and from thence proceeded by Coach to Graveſend, where His Majeſty imbarked for Holland on board the Carolina Yacht, which ſailed between Two and Three in the Afternoon.

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